



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 08411.0045

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Noriko MINAMINO et al	)	Group Art Unit: 2164
	)	
Application No. 10/580,271	)	Examiner: Mahmood, Rezwanul
	)	
Filed: May 25, 2006	)	
	)	Confirmation No. 4747
For: DATABASE MANAGEMENT	)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD OF	)	
MANAGING DATABASE	)	

**Mail Stop: Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 17, 2009, the period for response to which having been extended to January 17, 2010 by a one-month Petition for Extension of Time and appropriate fee payment, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.